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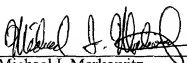
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In response to the Office Action mailed on February 12, 2002, the period for responding thereto having been set to expire after March 12, 2002, Applicant hereby elects Specie I, Figure 1, for prosecution at this time. All claims presently pending which are readable on Specie I, Figure 1, are claims 1, 2, and 3. Applicant reserves the right to file continuing application(s) based on Species II-V. Early examination on the merits is earnestly solicited.

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